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UNIT I:

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Basic concepts and definitions: Distinction between a fluid and a solid; Density, Specific weight, Specific gravity, Kinematic and dynamic viscosity; Variation of viscosity with temperature, Newton law of viscosity; Vapor pressure, Boiling point, Surface tension, Capillarity, Bulk modulus of elasticity, Compressibility

2. SPECIFIC WEIGHT (γ)

STEP 1 : Definition

Specific weight is the weight per unit volume of a fluid.

$$\gamma = \frac{W}{V}$$

Where,

γ = Specific weight (N/m^3)

W = Weight of fluid (N)

V = Volume of fluid (m^3)

STEP 2 : Relation with Specific Gravity

$$\gamma = SG \times \gamma_w$$

Where,

SG = Specific gravity (dimensionless)

γ_w = Specific weight of water
= 9.81 kN/m^3

STEP 3 : Example

Find the specific weight of oil having $SG = 0.85$.

$$\gamma = 0.85 \times 9.81 = 8.3385 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

$$\gamma = 8.34 \text{ kN/m}^3$$

3. SPECIFIC GRAVITY (SG)

STEP 1 : Definition

Specific gravity is the ratio of density (or specific weight) of a fluid to that of water at 4°C .

$$SG = \frac{\rho}{\rho_w} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma_w}$$

Where,

ρ = Density of fluid (kg/m^3)

ρ_w = Density of water (1000 kg/m^3)

γ = Specific weight of fluid (N/m^3)

γ_w = Specific weight of water (9.81 kN/m^3)

STEP 2 : Example

The density of mercury is 13600 kg/m^3 .

Find its specific gravity.

$$SG = \frac{13600}{1000} = 13.6$$

$$SG = 13.6$$

STEP 3 : Quick Values (at 4°C)

Water : $SG = 1.0$

Oil : $SG = 0.8 - 0.95$

Mercury : $SG = 13.6$

Seawater : $SG = 1.025$

4. KINEMATIC VISCOSITY (ν)

STEP 1 : Definition

Kinematic viscosity is the ratio of dynamic viscosity to density.

$$\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$$

Where,

ν = Kinematic viscosity (m^2/s)

μ = Dynamic viscosity ($\text{Pa}\cdot\text{s}$)

ρ = Density of fluid (kg/m^3)

STEP 2 : Units

SI unit : m^2/s

Common unit : Stokes (St)

$$1 \text{ St} = 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

STEP 3 : Example

For a fluid,

$$\mu = 0.001 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}, \quad \rho = 1000 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^3$$

Find ν .

$$\nu = \frac{0.001}{1000} = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

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STEP 4 : Typical Values (at 20°C)

Water : $\nu = 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

Air : $\nu = 1.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

Oil : $\nu = 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ to } 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

5. DYNAMIC VISCOSITY (μ)

STEP 1 : Definition

Dynamic viscosity is the internal resistance of fluid to shear or flow.

$$\mu = \frac{\tau}{du/dy}$$

Where,

τ = Shear stress (Pa)

du/dy = Velocity gradient ($1/\text{s}$)

STEP 2 : Units

SI unit : Pascal-second ($\text{Pa}\cdot\text{s}$)

Common unit : Poise (P)

$$1 \text{ P} = 0.1 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$$

STEP 3 : Example

A fluid develops shear stress of 2 Pa when velocity gradient is 500 s^{-1} .

Find μ .

$$\mu = \frac{2}{500} = 0.004 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$$

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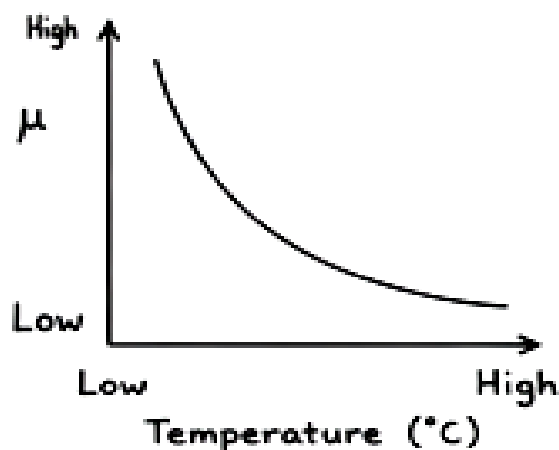
STEP 4 : Typical Values (at 20°C)

Water : $\mu = 0.001 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$

Air : $\mu = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$

Oil : $\mu = 0.01 - 0.1 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$

6. VARIATION OF VISCOSITY WITH TEMPERATURE



- For liquids : Viscosity decreases with increase in temperature.
- For gases : Viscosity increases with increase in temperature.

Example

- Water at 20°C : $\mu = 0.001 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$
 - Water at 60°C : $\mu = 0.00047 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$
- (Viscosity decreases as temperature increases)

7. NEWTON'S LAW OF VISCOSITY

STEP 1 : Statement

The shear stress (τ) is directly proportional to the velocity gradient ($\frac{du}{dy}$) for a Newtonian fluid.

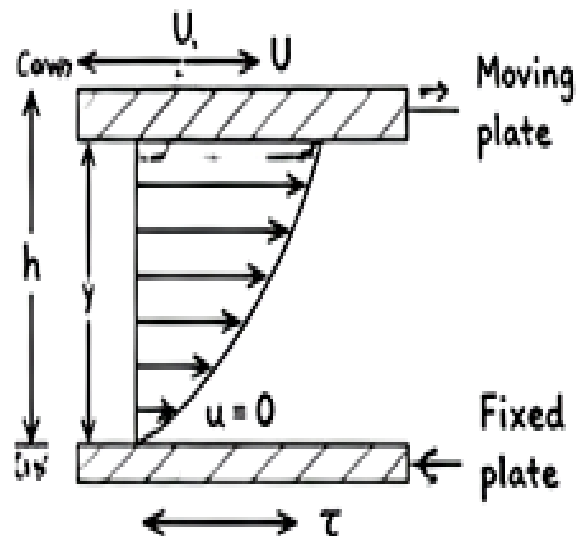
$$\tau \propto \frac{du}{dy} \Rightarrow \tau = \mu \left(\frac{du}{dy} \right)$$

Where,

τ = Shear stress (Pa)

μ = Dynamic viscosity ($\text{Pa}\cdot\text{s}$)

$\frac{du}{dy}$ = Velocity gradient ($1/\text{s}$)



Example

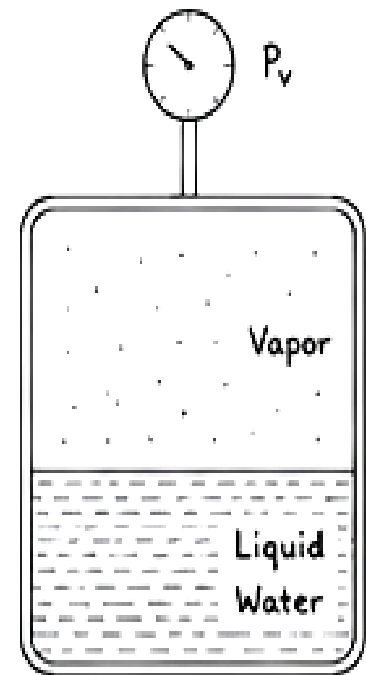
If $\mu = 0.001 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$ and $\frac{du}{dy} = 500 \text{ s}^{-1}$,

$$\tau = \mu \frac{du}{dy} = 0.001 \times 500 = 0.5 \text{ Pa}$$

8. VAPOR PRESSURE

STEP 1 : Definition

It is the pressure exerted by the vapor when a liquid is in equilibrium with its vapor at a given temperature in a closed container.



STEP 2 : Key Points

- Vapor pressure increases with increase in temperature.
- At boiling point, vapor pressure = Atmospheric pressure.

STEP 3 : Example

At 100°C , vapor pressure of water = 101.3 kPa
(which is atmospheric pressure, hence water boils at 100°C)

9. BOILING POINT

STEP 1 : Definition

Boiling point is the temperature at which the vapor pressure of a liquid becomes equal to the surrounding pressure.

STEP 2 : Example

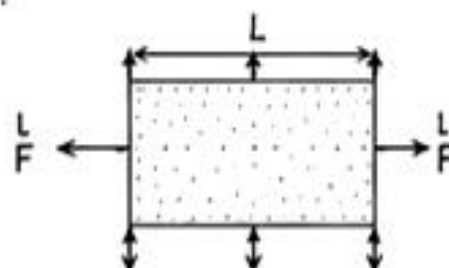
At sea level ($P_{\text{atm}} = 101.3 \text{ kPa}$), water boils at 100°C .

10. SURFACE TENSION (σ)

STEP 1 : Definition

It is the tangential force per unit length acting at the surface of a liquid.

$$\sigma = \frac{F}{L}$$



Where,

σ = Surface tension (N/m)

F = Force (N)

L = Length (m)

Example

If a force of 0.072 N acts on a 1 m length,

$$\sigma = \frac{0.072}{1} = 0.072 \text{ N/m}$$

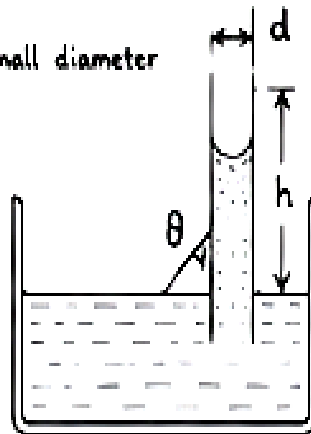
11. CAPILLARITY

STEP 1 : Definition

Capillarity is the rise or fall of a liquid in a small diameter tube due to surface tension.

STEP 2 : Formula

$$h = \frac{4 \sigma \cos \theta}{\rho g d}$$



Where,

h = Rise (m)

σ = Surface tension (N/m)

θ = Contact angle

ρ = Density of liquid (kg/m^3)

g = Acceleration due to gravity (9.81 m/s^2)

d = Diameter of capillary tube (m)

1. DENSITY (ρ)

STEP 1 : Definition

Density is the mass per unit volume of a substance.

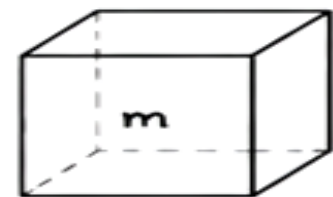
$$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$$

Where,

ρ = Density (kg/m^3)

m = Mass (kg)

V = Volume (m^3)



Volume = V

STEP 2 : Units

- SI unit : kg/m^3
- Other common units : g/cm^3

STEP 3 : Physical Meaning

- Density tells us how much mass is contained in a unit volume.
- Higher density means more mass in the same volume.

STEP 4 : Example

If a block of material has a mass of 7.8 kg and occupies a volume of 0.01 m^3 , find its density.

Solution :

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{7.8}{0.01} = 780 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\rho = 780 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

STEP 5 : Typical Values (at 20°C)

Substance	Density (kg/m ³)
Water	1000
Air	1.2
Aluminium	2700
Steel	7850
Mercury	13600

2. BULK MODULUS OF ELASTICITY (K)

STEP 1 : Definition

Bulk modulus of elasticity is the ratio of intensity of pressure to the fractional change in volume.

$$K = -V \frac{dP}{dV}$$

Where,

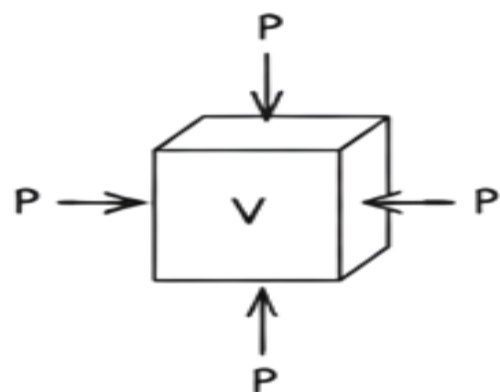
K = Bulk modulus (Pa)

P = Pressure (Pa)

V = Volume (m³)

dP = Change in pressure

dV = Change in volume



STEP 2 : Physical Meaning

- When pressure is applied on a fluid, its volume decreases.
- Bulk modulus measures the resistance of a fluid to uniform compression.

STEP 3 : Units

- SI unit : Pascal (Pa) or N/m^2

STEP 4 : Example

A fluid of volume 2 m^3 is subjected to a pressure increase of 1 MPa ($1 \times 10^6 \text{ Pa}$) and its volume decreases by 0.002 m^3 . Find bulk modulus.

Solution :

$$K = -V \frac{dP}{dV} = - (2) \frac{1 \times 10^6}{-0.002}$$

$$K = 1 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa}$$

STEP 5 : Typical Values

- Water : $2.2 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa}$
- Sea water : $2.4 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa}$
- Oil : $(1.0 - 1.6) \times 10^9 \text{ Pa}$

3. COMPRESSIBILITY (β)

STEP 1 : Definition

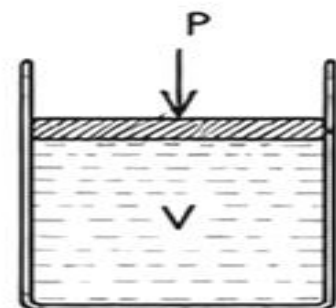
Compressibility is the reciprocal of bulk modulus of elasticity.

$$\beta = \frac{1}{K}$$

Where,

β = Compressibility (Pa^{-1})

K = Bulk modulus (Pa)



STEP 2 : Physical Meaning

- Compressibility indicates how much a fluid will compress for a unit increase in pressure.
- Lower compressibility means the fluid is less compressible (stiffer).

STEP 3 : Units

- SI unit : Pa^{-1}

STEP 4 : Example

The bulk modulus of a fluid is $2.2 \times 10^9 \text{ Pa}$.
Find its compressibility.

Solution :

$$\beta = \frac{1}{K} = \frac{1}{2.2 \times 10^9}$$

$$\beta = 4.55 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$$

STEP 5 : Typical Values

- Water : $4.55 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$
- Sea water : $4.17 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$
- Oil : $(6.25 - 10) \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{2.2 \times 10^9}$$

$$\beta = 4.55 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$$

Step 5 : Typical values

- water :- $4.55 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$
- sea water : $4.17 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$
- oil : $(6.25 - 10) \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$

Problems :-

Determine the Specific Gravity of a fluid having the viscosity 0.05 Poise and kinematic viscosity 0.035 st

Given data ;

$$\begin{aligned} \text{viscosity } \mu &= 0.05 \text{ poise} \\ &= 0.05/10 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Kinematic viscosity } \nu &= 0.035 \text{ stokes} \\ &= 0.035 \text{ m}^2/\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

using the relation

$$\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$$

$$0.035 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-3}}{\rho}$$

$$\rho = 1428.5$$

$$SG = \frac{1428.5}{1000}$$

$$SG = 1.4285$$

- 2 Determine the viscosity of liquid having kinematic viscosity is 6 stokes and Specific Gravity is 1.9

Given data

$$\text{Kinematic viscosity } \nu = 6 \text{ stokes} \Rightarrow 6 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{Specific Gravity } SG = 1.9$$

$$SG = \frac{\text{density of liquid } (\mu)}{\text{density of water}}$$

$$1.9 = \frac{\rho}{1000}$$

$$\rho = 1900$$

using the relation

$$\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$$

$$6 \times 10^{-4} = \frac{\mu}{1900}$$

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$$\mu = 1.14 \text{ N/m}^2$$

- 3 The space between 2 square plate parallel plates is filled with oil each side of plate is 60 cm the thickness of the film is 12.5 mm, the upper plate which moves at 2.5 m/s requires of force is 98.1 N to

to maintain the speed. determine

* The dynamic viscosity of oil in poise

* The kinematic viscosity of oil in stokes if the SG of the oil is 0.95

Given data ;

Each side square plate is $= 60 \text{ cm} = 0.6 \text{ m}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area} &= 0.6 \times 0.6 \\ &= 0.36 \text{ m}^2\end{aligned}$$

Thickness of film $= 12.5 \text{ m}$

$$dy = 12.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$du = 2.5 \text{ m/s}$$

force required upper plate $F = 98.1 \text{ N}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Shear stress } \tau &= \frac{\text{force}}{\text{Area}} \Rightarrow \frac{98.1}{0.36}\end{aligned}$$

$$\tau = 272.5$$

*

let

μ = dynamic viscosity of oil

by using the relation

$$\tau = \mu \frac{du}{dy}$$

$$272.5 = \mu \frac{2.5}{12.5 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$\mu = 1.3625 \text{ NS/m}^2$$

$$\mu = 13.625 \text{ poise}$$

*

kinematic viscosity of oil is 'v'

$$\rho = SG \times 1000$$

$$= 0.95$$

$$\rho = 950 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

using the relation

$$v = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$$

$$v = \frac{1.3625}{950}$$

$$(\because \text{poise} = 10^{-3})$$

$$\text{stokes} = 10^{-4})$$

$$v = 0.0014342 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$$

$$= 0.0014342 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$$

$$v = 14.342 \text{ stokes}$$

4. calculate the specific weight, density, specific Gravity of one liter of liquid which weight 7N

given data

$$1 \text{ L of volume 'v'} = 1/1000 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{weight 'w'} = 7 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{specific weight} = w/v$$

$$= 7 / 1/1000 = 7000 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{density} = \frac{W}{G}$$

$$= 7000 / 9.81$$

$$= 713.55 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\text{Specific Gravity} = \frac{\text{density of oil}}{\text{density of water}}$$

$$= \frac{713.5}{1000}$$

$$SG = 0.7135 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

5 Dynamic viscosity of an oil used of lubrication between a shaft and sleeve is 6 poises, the shaft of diameter 0.4 m and rotates at 190 rpm calculate the power lost in bearing for a sleeve length of 90 mm this oil film is 1.5 mm given data

$$\mu = 6 \text{ poises} = 0.6 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$= 0.6 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$\text{diameter of shaft } (D) = 0.4 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Area} = \pi \times D \times L$$

$$= 3.14 \times 90 \times 0.4$$

$$= 113.04$$

$$\text{Speed of shaft } (N) = 190 \text{ rpm}$$

$$\text{sleeve length} = 90 \text{ mm}$$

$$\text{thickness of tensile velocity of shaft}$$

$$= \frac{\pi D N}{60}$$

$$= 3.977 \text{ m/s}$$

using the equation

$$\tau = \mu \frac{du}{dy}$$

$$du = \text{change of velocity} = 3.97$$

$$dy = \text{change of distance} = 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\tau = \mu \frac{du}{dy} = 0.6 \times \frac{3.97}{1.5 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$= 1588 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$\text{Shear force on the shaft} =$$

$$= \text{Shear stress} \times \text{area}$$

$$F = 1588 \times 113.04$$

$$F = 179507.52$$

τ on the shaft

$$T = \text{force} \times D/2$$

$$= 179507 \times 0.4/2$$

$$T = 359.6495 \text{ Nm}$$

$$\text{power lost} = \frac{2\pi NT}{60}$$

$$= 7152.04 \text{ W}$$

Surface Tension :-

6. The surface tension of water in contact with air at 20°C is 0.0725 N/m the pressure inside a droplet of water is to be 0.02 N/cm^2 greater than the outside pressure calculate the diameter of droplet of water

Given data

surface tension denoted by ' σ ' is $= 0.0725 \text{ N/m}$

pressure intensity ' P ' is $= 0.02 \text{ N/cm}^2$

d = diameter in the droplet

using the relation

$$P = 4 \times \frac{\sigma}{d}$$

$$0.02 = 4 \times \frac{0.0725}{d}$$

$$d = 14.5$$

7. Find the surface tension in a soap bubble of 40 mm diameter, when the inside pressure is 2.5 N/cm^2 above atmosphere pressure

Given data,

$$d = 40 \text{ mm} = 40 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$P = 2.5$$

using the soap bubble equation

$$P = \frac{8\sigma}{d}$$

$$2.5 = \frac{8\sigma}{40 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$\sigma = 0.0125$$

- 8 The pressure outside of the droplet of water of diameter 0.04 mm is 10.32 N/cm^2 (atmosphere pressure) calculate the pressure with in the droplet if, surface tension given as 0.0725 N/m of water.

given data

$$D = 0.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

$$P = 10.32 \times 10^4 \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$\sigma = 0.0725 \text{ N/m}$$

$$P = \frac{4\sigma}{d}$$

$$10.32 \times 10^4 = \frac{4 \times 0.0725}{d}$$

$$P = 0.725 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

pressure inside the droplet + pressure outside of the droplet

$$0.725 + 10.32$$

$$= 11.045 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

capillarity problems :

Expression for capillarity Rise

$$h = \frac{4\sigma}{\rho g d}$$

Expression for capillarity fall

$$h = \frac{4\sigma \cos \theta}{\rho g d}$$

9. calculate capillary rise in a glass tube of 2.5 mm diameter when immersed vertically water & mercury take the surface Tension $\sigma = 0.0725 \text{ N/m}$ for water $\sigma = 0.52 \text{ N/m}$ for mercury in contact with air the specific gravity for mercury is given as 13.6 and angle contact is 130° ?

Given data,

diameter of glass tube = 2.5 mm $\Rightarrow 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$

Surface Tension for water $\sigma = 0.0725 \text{ N/m}$

Surface Tension for mercury $\sigma = 0.52$

SG for mercury = 13.6

Angle contact = 130°

density for mercury (ρ) = $13.6 \times 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$

- Capillarity rise for water $\theta = 0^\circ$

$$h = \frac{4\sigma}{\rho g d}$$

$$h = \frac{4(0.0725)}{1000 \times 9.81 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$h = 0.0118 \text{ m}$$

$$h = 1.18 \text{ cm}$$

• Capillarity for mercury

$$h = \frac{4\sigma \cos \theta}{\rho g d}$$

$$= \frac{4(0.52) \cos 130^\circ}{13.6 \times 1000 \times 9.81 \times 2.5 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$h = -0.004 = 0.4 \text{ cm}$$

∴ The negative sign indicates the capillarity depression

10 calculate the capillarity efforts in mm in a glass tube 4mm diameter when immersed in

• water and mercury the temperature liquid is 20°C

Values surface tension of water & mercury at 20°C in contact with air 0.073575 N/m and 0.51 N/m the angle of contact water is 0 and mercury is 130° take density of water at 20°C as equal to 998 kg/m³

Given data ;

$$D = 4 \text{ mm} = 4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$$

using the capillary rise or depression

$$h = \frac{4\sigma \cos \theta}{\rho g d}$$

• capillarity effect for water :-

$$\sigma = 0.073575 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\theta = 0^\circ$$

$$\rho = 998 \text{ kg/m}^3 \text{ at } 20^\circ\text{C}$$

$$h = 7.51 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 7.51 \text{ mm}$$

$$h = \frac{4(0.073575) \cos 50^\circ}{998 \times 9.81 \times 4 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$h = 7.51 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 7.51 \text{ mm}$$

• capillarity effect for mercury :-

$$\sigma = 0.51 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\theta = 130^\circ$$

$$\rho = 13.6 \times 1000$$

$$h = \frac{4(0.51) \cos 130^\circ}{13.6 \times 1000 \times 9.81 \times 4 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$h = -2.45 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$h = 2.45 \text{ mm}$$

compressibility problem :-

11. determine the bulk modulus of elasticity of fluid, if the pressure of the liquid increased from 70 N/cm^2 to 130 N/cm^2 the volume of the liquid decreases by 0.15% .
given data;

$$\text{initial pressure} = 70 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

$$\text{final pressure} = 130 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

$$dp = 60 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

$$dv = 0.15\%$$

$$K = -V \frac{dp}{dv}$$

$$= -V \frac{80}{0.15/100}$$

$$= 4 \times 10^4 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

12. what is bulk modulus of elasticity of a liquid which is compressed in cylinder from a volume of 0.0125 m^3 at 80 N/cm^2 pressure to a volume of 0.0124 m^3 at 150 N/cm^2 pressure?
Given data ;

$$\text{Initial volume} = 0.0125 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{final volume} = 0.0124 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{decreases in volume} = 0.0001$$

$$- \frac{dv}{v}$$

$$= - \frac{0.0001}{0.0125}$$

$$\text{Initial pressure} = 80 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

$$\text{final pressure} = 150 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

$$\text{Increase pressure} = 70 \text{ N/cm}^2$$

$$K = \frac{dp}{-\frac{dv}{v}} \Rightarrow \frac{70}{-\frac{0.0001}{0.0125}} \Rightarrow -8.75 \times 10^3 \text{ N/m}^2$$

Questions :-

1. Define the following fluid properties

- Density
- Specific Gravity
- Specific weight
- Surface Tension

2. Define the viscosity and types of viscosity

Types of fluids

The fluids may be classified into 5 types

- Ideal fluid
- Real fluid
- Newtonian fluid
- unNewtonian fluid
- Ideal plastic fluid
- Ideal fluid :-

A fluid which is incompressible and has having no viscosity known as ideal fluid

Ideal fluid is only imaginary fluid

→ Real fluid :-

It is a fluid with having a viscosity in actual particles

Newtonian fluid :-

A real fluid in which shear stress is directly proportional to the rate of shear strain or velocity gradient is known as Newtonian fluid.

Non-Newtonian fluid :-

A real fluid in which shear stress is not proportional to the rate of shear strain or velocity gradient is known as non-Newtonian fluid.

Ideal plastic fluid :-

A fluid in which shear stress is more than the yield value and shear stress is proportional to the rate of shear strain or velocity gradient is known as ideal plastic fluid.